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TAGS: PORG, WHO, PAHO, BB, ECOSOC, UNDP

SUBJECT: GOB REQUEST FOR USG SUPPORT ON SEVERAL  
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ISSUES

REF: BRIDGETOWN 0819

EMBASSY MAY PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING ANSWERS TO THE VARIOUS  
REQUESTS OF THE GOB.

1. THE SITING OF THE PAHO/WHO REGIONAL OFFICE IS AN  
INTERNAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION TO BE MADE BY THE DIRECTOR  
OF PAHO AND WILL NOT ENTAIL CONSULTATIONS WITH THE MEMBER-  
SHIP. HIS DECISION WILL BE MADE ON QUESTIONS OF EFFICIENCY,  
EASE OF ACCESS TO ALL COUNTRIES, AND THE NEEDS OF PRESENT  
AND FUTURE PROGRAMS IN THE CARIBBEAN THESE ASPECTS ARE NOW  
BEING STUDIED AND NO DECISION IS EXPECTED UNTIL LATE JUNE.

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WE UNDERSTAND THAT BARBADOS IS ONE OF THE COUNTRIES BEING  
CONSIDERED.

2. WITH RESPECT TO THE ELECTION OF A CARIBBEAN CANDIDATE TO  
THE UPCOMING WHO EXECUTIVE BOARD IN MAY, THE EMBASSY MAY  
NOTE THAT CUBA IS A CANDIDATE BEFORE THE WHO AMERICAN REGION  
CAUCUS, WHOSE AD REFERENDUM ENDORSEMENT IT OBTAINED AT THE

MEXICO CITY PAHO DIRECTING COUNCIL LAST OCTOBER.

3. WITH RESPECT TO GOB CANDIDACY FOR ELECTION TO THE GOV-ERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNDP AND ECOSOC, IT IS THE CUSTOMARY PRACTICE OF THE USG TO DEFER TAKING A POSITION ON ELECTIONS TO UN BODIES UNTIL THE PREFERENCES OF THE RESPECTIVE REGIONAL GROUP HAVE BEEN INDICATED. IN DELIVERING THE ABOVE REPLY THE EMBASSY MAY WISH TO ADD THAT WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO VOTE FOR BARBADOS IF IT SUCCEEDS IN WINNING THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE LATIN AMERICAN GROUP IN NEW YORK. THE EMBASSY SHOULD NOTE THAT WE ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE UN LATIN AMERICAN GROUP WHOSE ENDORSEMENT BARBADOS WILL NEED.  
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